RICHMOND, VA., FRID AY, FEBRUARY 18, 1910.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

FINALLY AGREE ON AUTOMOBILE TAX

Owners of Cars Must Pay State According to Horse-Power.

SENATE PURSUES TAX DISCUSSION

House Defeats Sterilization Bill. Gettysburg Monument Decided Upon, but Payment Deferred-Interesting Debates Likely to Occur To-Day.

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Dr. Stephenson made an earnest fight for his bill, but did not convince the members that Virginia was ready for this sort of legislation.

Monument is Ordered,
Gettysburg will get its monument to the memory of the Virginia soldiers who fell there, if the Senate indorses the action of the House. But the bill was amended so that none of the money, save the first \$10,000 appropriated two years ago, will be available until two years from date.

The House also passed the Senate bill allowing counties which receive State aid for good roads to spend as much of the money as they see fit in the construction of bridges.

Some interesting propositions are due in the House to-day. A bill which will be fought is that allowing interstate freight trains to run on Sunday. The bill has passed the Senate and has been approved by the House Committee on Roads and Internal Navigation. It is indorsed by the railroad men's organizations of the State. But it was earnestly fought in committee by ministers, and it is almost certain to meet with opposition when it comes up.

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Real Estate Man Ready, But Banker Had No Weapon.

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John Pratt, the negro the mob is after, was arrested to-day and identified by two women as the man who snatched their purses. He confessed and was indicted an hour later.

HARMONY IN SIGHT

NIGHT RIDERS INDICTED

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE

cluding Superintendent Martin, were severely burned and brulsed.

In a magazine in the centre of the twenty-five buildings that made up the plant were stored 75,000 pounds of powder. Fire followed the explosion, and ten of the buildings were burned, surrounding the magazine with a wall of flame. The magazine was a safe distance within the circle of fire, however.

The explosion wrecked neighboring buildings and hurled one of the mixers hundreds of feet through the air. Fifty men and women in and near the plant were thrown to the ground by the blast.

The injured, pinned under collapsed buildings, were threatened for a time with incineration. The concussion drew hundreds of spectators, who by heroic exertions, dragged the maimed from the ruins.

It is supposed that other bodies may be found in the ruins.

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DEAD SPEAKER IS BESMIRCHED

Senator Allds Tells of Campaign of Blackmail Waged Against Bridge Companies Till They Refused to Submit Longer - More Disclosures to Come.

Powerful in Assembly.

S. Fred Nixon probably held more power than any other member of the assembly who occupied the Speaker's chair. He first entered the lower house assembly who occupied the Speaker's chair. He first entered the lower house in 1887, and was elected Speaker in 1899. He ruled the assembly continuously up to the time of his death in the fall of 1905.

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The name of Colonel George W. Dunn, chairman of the Republican State Committee in 1902, was brought definitely into the evidence to-day; thus making him available as a witthus making him available as a witness at future investigations. Conger said that he called on Dunn at his office here and made a contribution for both himself and the bridge companies. He did not say how much it

WANTON KILLING

Murder Precedes Looting of Lodging

FACING PERDITION'S FIRES ANOTHER CRISIS PLACE FOR OIL KING

eral Election Within Three Months.

TROUBLE STIRRED BY LABOR PARTY

If Ultimatum Is Disregarded by Asquith, Government May Be Defeated-Laborites Object to Budget Preceding Veto Question-Red-

LODGE TO BE CHAIRMAN

He explained that he had offered the chairmanship of the committee to Senator Elkins because the latter was the author of the resolution that was adopted, and that Senator Elkins had declined on account of the pressure of other work.

Senator Elkins later explained his reasons for declining the honor in private conversation. He said that when he introduced his resolution six weeks ago he did not have as much work on hand as he has now, and had considered then he had time to conduct the inquiry which he proposed. Since then the administration bill for the amendment of the interstate commerce laws has come up before the Committee on Interstate Commerce, of which he is chairman.

That is taking so much of his time at present, he said, he has no time to devote to the inquiry into the high cost of living. He told the Vice-President that he could not even consider being a member of the committee.

After Senator Elkins had declined the chairmanship the Vice-President talked over with him the personnel of the committee.

CRIPPLES ARE SUSPECTED

Line Built Straight to H-l.

WOULDHAVEJOHN D. AT HOTTEST END

Jeff Davis Breaks Loose With Heated Denunciation of Rockefeller and Standard Oil. but Fails to Defeat Bill Affecting Ar-

State.

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ANOTHER CHARGE MADE

ADOPT NEW FRANCHISE

TILLMAN A SICK MAN

GIVES LIFE FOR OTHERS

here to h—I, and I should want to see the oil flowing directly there. Furthermore, I should be glad to see that old he-trust magnate, John D. Rockefeller, there to receive the oil, and would be glad to see that its appearance would create wrapped snugly around him."

He repeated his challenge to the Democrats to vote for the bill, and declared that Mr. Owen would be the only one to cast his vote in its favor. He said that his support was due to the fact that in some way the Oklahoma Senator was believed to be interested in the Standard Oil Company.

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"I thank God," responded Mr. Davis, "that I have never made an exhibition in favor of the Standard Oil Company."

He went on to say that "oil did not smell good to him, and that he did not like it."

Then he exclaimed in sonorous tones, "Before God, Mr. President, I had rather have my right hand forget its rouning, my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, and the mother who bore me disown me than appear here as an advocate of such a concern as the Standard Oil Company."

Senator Owen said the Standard Oil Company had been admitted to Arkansas by the legal authorities of the State.

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DEBATE CLOSED ON LIQUOR FIGHT

Committee Feels It Has Heard Enough About State-Wide Bill.

MANY SPEAKERS GROW ELOQUENT

Cannon Willing to Have Dry Law, if Passed, Go Into Effect January 1, 1912, if State Measure Is Not Considered by Finance Committee.

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BRIGHT ZANESVILLE GIRL

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